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Honorable Loretta A. Preska  
United States District Judge  
Southern District of New York  
Daniel Patrick Moynihan U.S. Courthouse  
500 Pearl Street Room 1320  
New York NY 10007

Re: United States v. Angela Hamblin  
07-cr-1191 (LAP)

Dear Judge Preska:

I write to request that Angela Hamblin be excused from appearing at the Status Conference scheduled before Your Honor on July 2, 2008 at 9:30am. As you recall, Mrs. Hamblin was excused by this Court from appearing at the pre-trial conference on February 26, 2008.

It is my understanding that the primary purpose of the status conference is procedural, i.e. to determine the status of discovery and to set a date for trial. I have advised Mrs. Hamblin of the Speedy Trial ramifications of these issues and she agrees to waive the time set for completion of discovery and for trial preparation in the interest of justice, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 3161(h)(8)(A).

Ms. Hamblin resides with her husband in Revere, Massachusetts and would incur substantial expense to appear at the conference. In light of the foregoing, and the fact that the hearing will be non-testimonial, I respectfully request that Mrs. Hamblin be excused from attending the Status Conference on July 2, 2008. The Government does not object to this application.

SO ORDERED

*Loretta A. Preska*  
LORETTA A. PRESKA  
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

*June 29, 2008*

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Should you have any questions regarding this application or require any additional information, I can be reached at (207) 871-7770.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "R. Berne". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first letter "R" being particularly large and stylized.

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Angela Hamblin

cc: Seetha Ramachandran, AUSA (via fax)  
Angela Hamblin